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BROILER HATCHERY



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ARKANSAS CHICK PLACEMENTS DOWN 1 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR

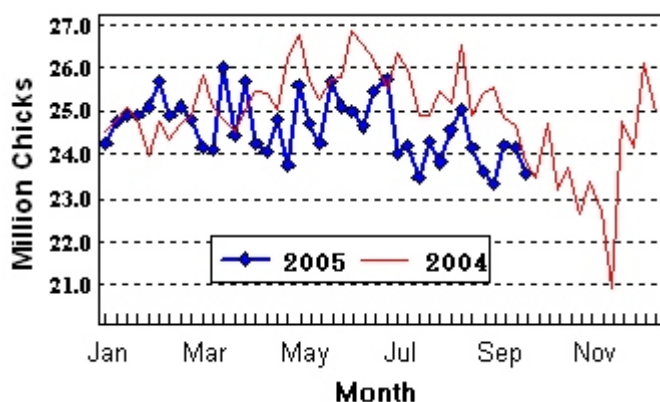
Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas was 23.6 million during the week ending October 1, 2005. Placements were down 1 percent from the comparable week in 2004, and down 2 percent from the previous week, and included 2.3 million chicks shipped in from other states. Cumulative placements from January 2 through October 1, 2005 were 984.8 million, down 3 percent from the same period a year earlier.

The broiler-type chicks hatched for the week was 25.0 million, down 2 percent from the corresponding week a year earlier, and down 1 percent from the previous week. Of the total hatch, 3.4 million chicks were shipped out of the state. Average hatchability for chicks hatched was 83.3 percent.

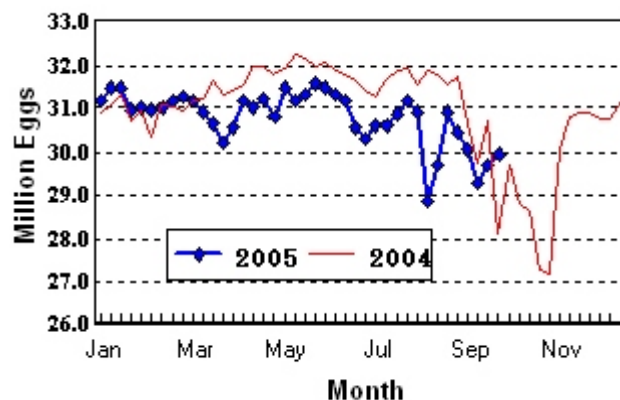
Arkansas hatcheries set 30.0 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending October 1, 2005, up 7 percent from the same period last year, and up 1 percent from the previous week.

Week Ending	NET PLACEMENTS			CHICKS HATCHED			EGGS SET		
	2004	2005	% Change	2004	2005	% Change	2004	2005	% Change
	<i>1,000</i>			<i>1,000</i>			<i>1,000</i>		
Aug. 27	24,919	24,158	97	25,982	25,624	99	31,540	30,918	98
Sep. 3	25,421	23,640	93	26,183	24,040	92	31,753	30,434	96
Sep. 10	25,536	23,344	91	26,208	24,598	94	30,639	30,022	98
Sep. 17	24,868	24,216	97	25,938	25,689	99	29,739	29,276	98
Sep. 24	24,656	24,155	98	26,187	25,383	97	30,719	29,694	97
Oct. 1	23,806	23,573	99	25,457	25,016	98	28,103	29,958	107

CHICKS PLACED IN ARKANSAS, 2004-2005



EGGS SET, 2004 - 2005



BROILER EGGS SET AND CHICKS PLACED IN 19 MAJOR STATES BY WEEKS, 2005

STATE	EGGS SET (in Thousands)					CHICKS PLACED (in Thousands)						
	Week Ending				1/ %	Week Ending						1/ %
	10-Sep	17-Sep	24-Sep	01-Oct		27-Aug	03-Sep	10-Sep	17-Sep	24-Sep	01-Oct	
Alabama	30,705 *	30,928	30,779	31,035	105	21,617	21,746	21,322 *	21,520	20,919	20,501	98
ARKANSAS	30,022 *	29,276	29,694	29,958	107	24,158	23,640	23,344	24,216 *	24,155	23,573	99
Delaware	3,744 *	3,668	3,797	3,979	110	5,864	5,735	5,303 *	5,832	5,449	5,481	134
Florida	1,374 *	1,379	1,364	1,374	102	1,510	1,662	1,492	1,431	1,325	1,527	106
Georgia	33,786	31,926	33,062	33,098	104	26,397	26,778	27,306 *	26,556	26,746 *	27,652	109
Kentucky	6,935 *	6,142 *	6,973 *	6,443	98	6,216 *	5,790	5,738 *	5,843 *	5,848 *	6,089	118
Louisiana	4,105	3,802	4,105	3,802	99	4,134	3,726	3,880	4,059	4,104	4,056	121
Maryland	8,796 *	8,509	8,765	8,721	102	5,253	5,526	5,479 *	5,173	5,160	5,133	90
Mississippi	17,639	17,672	17,626	17,235	95	16,994	14,687	15,322	16,252	15,364	15,386	96
N. Carolina	16,578 *	16,913	18,307	17,823	103	14,472	15,033	14,904	14,635	13,654	13,996	103
Oklahoma	6,669	6,377	6,332	6,369	112	4,387	4,998	5,358	5,311	4,492	5,059	101
Pennsylvania	4,283	3,860	3,943 *	4,104	106	3,011	2,926	3,041	2,977	3,071 *	3,079	116
S. Carolina	5,120	5,151	4,859	5,075	120	5,003	4,140	4,318	4,369	4,739	3,773	87
Texas	14,972	14,505	14,227	13,050	90	12,089	11,758	12,753	12,793	12,636 *	12,499	102
Virginia	6,112	6,030	6,272	5,861	100	5,207	5,111	4,780	4,919	5,288	5,034	92
CA,MO,TN,WV	18,238	16,661 *	17,889 *	17,370	101	17,826	16,515	17,496	17,061 *	17,621 *	17,267	103
Total 2005	209,078 *	202,799 *	207,994 *	205,297		174,138 *	169,771	171,836 *	172,947 *	170,571 *	170,105	
Total 2004	202,622	197,407	201,405	200,166		175,177	174,771	174,977	173,376	172,022	165,909	
%Prev. Year	103	103	103	103		99	97	98	100	99	103	
Approximate Marketing Date 2005.....						15-Oct	22-Oct	29-Oct	05-Nov	12-Nov	19-Nov	

* Revised . 1/ Current week as percent of the same week last year.

EGGS SET IN 19 SELECTED STATES UP 3 PERCENT

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-state weekly program set 205 million eggs during the week ending October 1, 2005. This was up 3 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED UP 3 PERCENT

Broiler growers in the 19-state weekly program placed 170 million chicks for meat production during the week ending October 1, 2005. Placements were up 3 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 2, 2005 through October 1, 2005 were 6.84 billion, up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.